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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED 08/24/2005

Dear Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 7 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 10 of this paper.

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